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Protect the Great Lakes



Subobjective: Prevent water pollution and improve the overall aquatic ecosystem health

of the Great Lakes using the Great Lakes 40-point scale:

2002 Baseline: 20 points

2005 Commitment: 21

2008 Target: 22

Strategic Targets:

-- Reduce the average concentrations of PCBs in whole lake trout and walleye samples will decline from 2002 levels:

2005 Commitment: 5% decline 2007 Target: 25%

-- Reduce the average concentrations of toxic chemicals in the air in the Great Lakes basin from

2002 levels:

2005 Commitment: 7% decline 2008 Target: 30%

-- Restore and delist Areas of Concern within the Great Lakes basin:

2002 Baseline: 0 AOCs restored **2005 Commitment: 3** 2010 Target: 10

-- Remediate cubic yards of contaminated sediment in the Great Lakes:

2002 Baseline: 2.1 million **2005 Commitment: 2.9** 2008 Target: 3.3

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Measure #: IV-GL-1 National Office Lead: GLNPO

Measure Description: Percentage of all NPDES permitted discharges to the Lakes or major tributaries that have permit limits that reflect the Guidance's water quality standards, where applicable.

Measure #: IV-GL-2 National Office Lead: GLNPO

Measure Description: Each year, complete three sediment remedial actions. [US partners have completed about 3 per year

since 1997.]

Measure #: IV-GL-3 National Office Lead: GLNPO

Measure Description: Percentage of all CSO permits in the Great Lakes basin that are consistent with the national CSO

Policy.

IV-GL-3

	Commitment		Commitment		Commitment
2002 Baseline	23%755 (add NY)	2002 Baseline	3	2002 Baseline	83%/129
2005 Commitment	72%	2005 Commitment	3	2005 Commitment	91%
2005 Midyear		2005 Midyear		2005 Midyear	
2005 End-of-Year		2005 End-of-Year		2005 End-of-Year	
Universe	3,296	Universe	n/a	Universe	156

2008 Target: 100% **2008 Target:** 3 (annual) **2008 Target:** 100%

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Measure #: IV-GL-4 National Office Lead: GLNPO

Measure Description: All Great Lakes States adopt bacteria criteria at least as protective as USEPA's Ambient Water Quality Criteria for Bacteria.

Measure #: IV-GL-5

National Office Lead: GLNPO

Measure Description: Percentage of high priority Great Lakes beaches where States and local agencies have put into place water quality monitoring and public notification programs that comply with the USEPA National Beaches Guidance.

IV-GL-4

2008 Target: 8

	Commitment
2002 Baseline	3
2005 Commitment	4
2005 Midyear	
2005 End-of-Year	
Universe	8

IV-GL-5

	Commitment
2002 Baseline	0
2005 Commitment	100%
2005 Midyear	
2005 End-of-Year	
Universe	373

2008 Target: 95%